

Kersey's Saloon slates grand opening

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When you want to relax in pleasant old-time surroundings with a drink, a snack, and old-fashioned good times, stop by Kersey's Saloon and Antiques Emporium. It's at 1267 Lafayette Avenue in the center of Twelve Points, just a few footsteps south of Maple Avenue. The sign on the window says "Kersey's" but the full name of the establishment includes the words "Antiques Emporium." And that full name tells you something about the atmosphere at Kersey's: it has the warmth and feeling of good old-time days. The decor is dark-grained wood, great antiques everywhere, and pictures out of the past. The mood is quiet, friendly, and slow-paced, like the easier living of days gone by. The new owners, Joseph Carr and Voldemar "Voldi" Murans, want you to have a good old time when you stop at Kersey's.

The grand opening of Kersey's is scheduled for Saturday, July 9. Continuous live entertainment will begin at 1 p.m.

Kersey's Saloon and Antiques Emporium is the oldest saloon in Terre Haute. It has been at the same location continuously since it first opened in 1934, almost immediately after the Prohibition Era closed. In fact, Kersey's was the first bar to open in Terre Haute after the 1934 repeal of the Prohibition Amendment. It was also the first bar to get a three-way license to sell all three spirits; liquor, beer and wine. Kersey's has been around for a long time. When you sit down at Kersey's Saloon for a

drink, for a snack, or for just a cup of coffee, ground in an antique grinder — you sit down in the middle of some local history.

In the days when Terre Haute was a booming mining town and crisscross center of railroads, back in the 1930's and 1940's, the coal miners and railroaders made Kersey's Saloon their stopping place for drinks and food, get-together, and in those days, gambling. Back then, one-armed slot machines lined the walls of Kersey's. Some of the coal miners and railroaders would sometimes spend their entire paychecks trying to get Lady Luck to pay them a jackpot on the slot machines with three cherries in a row. Many of the coal miners would stop by Kersey's on their way to work in the mines. They would bring with them their miners' buckets and fill their buckets with beer from wooden kegs.

The old oaken backbar is the best looking backbar in Terre Haute, perhaps in all of Indiana. It has about fifteen feet in height and more in width. It is a massive, hand-carved antique. Over the years, thousands of people have sat at the bar at Kersey's and looked into the mirrors of the oaken backbar. Nowadays when you stop at Kersey's for drink or food, you can still feel the friendliness, the nostalgia, and the good times of those people and those years gone by.

In keeping with the old-time atmosphere, the entertainment consists of such things as broadcasts of radio shows from long ago

and sing-along piano music played on an antique player piano. You can listen to radio broadcasts from twenty, thirty, even forty years ago: Walter Winchell's newscasts, for example; or Fibber McGee and Molly radio shows; or Amos and Andy. You can request a song from the piano player — who is one of the owners, Joseph Carr — or you can listen to the music of a barber shop quartet. Or you might want to chat about Kersey's antiques with the other owner, Voldi Murans, when you want some entertaining conversation. Whatever you do at Kersey's, a good old-fashioned time is guaranteed.

Kersey's Saloon and Antiques Emporium invites everybody young and old and in-the-middle to come in anytime and partake of the flavor of Terre Haute's history. For those of you who are senior citizens, since you have lived through that history and helped to make it yourselves, Kersey's has set aside a special night in your honor. Every Wednesday night is Senior Citizens' Night, complete with music to have memories by. For senior citizens 62 and over, on Wednesday nights the beer is just 25c and the mixed drinks are reduced by 20 to 25c.

When you're looking for a new kind of place to go to, come to the oldest place in town. Come on in, look around, meet some friends, and have a good old time at Kersey's Saloon.

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Twelve Points Maintains Its Entity As Thriving District Within City

Every city has its neighborhood shopping centers . . . a group of businesses concentrated in a small area for the convenience of people living away from the downtown shopping district. Chicago . . . New York . . . Dallas . . . Los Angeles . . . the really big cities are literally dotted with bustling little individual communities which are practically self-sufficient from the commercial standpoint. In Indianapolis there are excellent shopping facilities at 16th Street, 38th Street and 42nd Street on the north side, and those who live on the east side seldom refer to it that way but to Irvington which is a busy sprawling little town in itself. In Albuquerque, there's downtown and then there's The Hill, which takes in the University district and the rapidly growing new residential district. Terre Haute is no exception.

In Terre Haute there's Twelve Points, the largest unincorporated little city within the city limits, and I defy the pollsters to find any other spot which boasts the fierce loyalty, the camaraderie, the cooperation that exists among the residents of our own enterprising north side community. Twelve Points is almost a law unto itself, as the saying goes. Where its boundaries begin and end, no one can definitely say, but its trading area comprises a large territory, and the feeling of "belonging" is a part of everyone for hundreds of city blocks around the hub of operations at Lafayette and Maple. Not only is Lafayette the main stem of the community's business district, but as U. S. 41 it is, and always has been, the main artery for traffic into the city from the north. Today there are five churches and at least one of almost every kind of business or professional service in Twelve Points, which 50 years ago was a struggling young community of only a handful of residents, and was for the most part all in fields. But one young man had big ideas for his part of town, and today it is the consensus that Walter Phillips, through his foresight, aggressiveness and years of hard work, was the "father of Twelve Points." Walter Phillips was a dreamer, although a prac-

tical one, a promoter, a hard-headed businessman, a man of many skills. He was enthusiastic, willing to try anything, and when he had become a successful businessman himself, he was always ready to help the other fellow get started.

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IT ALL BEGAN BACK in 1889 when young Phillips was a deputy surveyor and one of his jobs was to survey and lay out in lots all the land owned by a Mr. Smith from Watertown, N. Y. Mr. Smith's property included all the land on the east side of U. S. 41 to the railroad from Maple avenue to Lost Creek, and on completion of the task, Smith offered the young surveyor his choice of the lots. Phillips and his young bride selected the lot at the corner of Lafayette and Grand avenue, bought the one next to the corner, and in 1890 built their first home, which still stands as one of the landmarks of the locality. For a time he served as deputy recorder in Levi Hughes' office, then held the office of recorder for a term, and now and then he would sell a lot or two for Mr. Smith. Around 1897 he decided his real interest was in the development of his neighborhood, and he embarked upon a career in real estate in

which he was active until shortly before his death in 1939.

All this I learned in talking with his wife and business partner, Mrs. Fanny Phillips, that grand old lady of 91 years come next month, who still manages the business from her office at 1272 Lafayette. Both Mr. and Mrs. Phillips were reared on farms north of town, and she recalled that the house where she was born, and which is still standing, was built by her grandfather Denny in 1818.

"The oldest building that was in Twelve Points when we came to town," said Mrs. Phillips, "was an old frame building where the hotel is today. At that time it was a grocery and saloon run by a German fellow named Petri who was later killed by an armed bandit in the store. After his death, Mrs. Petri sold the place and built a house across Maple avenue for her and her children. Another building here then was the old Cory Barbour place which stood where the new church is being built. I'll never forget the white picket fence that went all around the Baldrige place. Their property included all the land in the triangle formed by Thirteenth street, Lafayette and Barbour avenue, and the Baldrige home place was the house that is now the priests' home of the Sacred Heart Church.

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"**WE BOUGHT** our supplies at a general store operated first by Mr. Phillips' father and later by his brother, Branch. This was on the corner where the bank is, and across Maple avenue was the old Smith home which Mr. Phillips moved back on the lot across the alley when he built his first building which housed Nate Wallace's grocery store. Soon after that, he built next door, moved the grocery there and Charles West opened his drug store on the corner, the oldest firm still in business in Twelve Points. In May, 1951 Hank West, Charles West's son, will celebrate

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the fiftieth anniversary of the store's beginning."

Mr. Phillips was in the building business in earnest by now and during the next several years he made rapid strides toward his goal. He bought all the property south of West's to the second alley and filled it with buildings in which many early businesses flourished. On this south corner of his property was the first post office in Twelve Points. On the east side of Lafayette George Stump operated a grist mill on the land between the present hotel and Phillips avenue. Phillips bought all the lots on this side of the street to the Northside Bakery, and many of you will remember his livery stable where the Garfield theater is today. The building which houses the ten cent store, Owl Drug and Citizens' Market was the last building Walter Phillips erected. He had formed the nucleus for the northside operations, and he was fortunate enough to live for many years and witness the bountiful fruits of his labors as Twelve Points grew and prospered.

With a little, bearded Englishman, a Mr. Norris, he operated the first concrete block business out on the Fort Harrison Road, and these blocks went into most of the building which he did during his career.

Another old timer who has a rich fund of Twelve Points lore is Charlie DePeugh who came to Terre Haute in 1901 as a glass blower with the old North Baltimore Bottling Glass Works at Sixteenth and Maple. He remembers when everything from Maple to Buckeye and Thirteenth to the C.&E.I. tracks was called the Lincoln place, which was owned by Mr. Doak and his son of the Lincoln Real Estate Co.

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"WE DIDN'T HAVE any sidewalks in those days," said Mr. DePeugh, "and it was a real job to get across the mud holes when the weather was bad. Of course, the streets were dirt, too. We did have street cars which came up Thirteenth street from North Eighth and Collett Park." Incidentally, someone along the line said that many a time the street cars were in the park, thanks to a little soap on the rails!

In talking about the early days around Twelve Points, Mr. DePeugh recalled many of the firms in business in the early 1900's. "Kid Kiser had a beer garden at Thirteenth and Maple with tables under the trees and a high board fence all around it," he said. "He later sold it to Marshall Meyers. Swalls and Swander had the first dry goods store up here and Bert Nosler had a hardware store in the point across from the bank. Boyer had a job printing shop up here then and where Northside Bakery is now was the Badgely Dry Goods store. At Thirteenth and Phillips was the Airdome where they had

an outdoor stage for vaudeville shows. The first week it opened in Twelve Points, it rained every night, but I took an umbrella and went in the rain."

There were several barbershops that he remembered. John Morrow had one. Fred Roberts had the old Star Shop, and, surprisingly enough, there was a woman barber, a Mrs. Sparks and her son, who conducted a thriving business. "Yabe" Hicklin tells us that she always cut his hair when he was a kid. Linden and Cedar streets were called First Linden and Second Linden in those days, and out in

front of the old Nosler storeroom where the bank is now was a pump where people got a drink out of an old iron ladle and passed the time of day.

I gleaned lots of interesting odds and ends delving into the fascinating past of Twelve Points. Do any of you remember when all the land back of the bank was Lou Ketchum's cherry orchard and there was a skating rink within its confines? And there was Modesitt Hardware, and Thomas Funeral Home was where the Garfield Theater is? Young Dr. Joe Frisz was practicing in Twelve Points and Lee Sinclair had his dental office above the first bank building before the bank was established. Nate Wallace, Charlie Hansel, Mr. Riggs from Rosedale and Mr. Montgomery from Montezuma organized People State Bank in the teens and moved to the present building in '23 where it was called 12 Points State Bank. In '34 it became a branch of the Merchants National. R. B. Appell's been in the jewelry business around there since 1913, the year of the cyclone and flood, and Henry Lankton and Sam Turpin ran a gun stock factory.

There were big industries, too, which aren't around any more. Inland Steel had a plant, Paul Kuhn's Grain Elevator was in full swing, and there was a piano case factory. There was North Baltimore Glass, Modes-Turner Glass, and the old Standard Wheel and a foundry. Over on 13th the Coal Bluff Mining Company operated a company store called the Grant Mercantile.

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ETRLY IN THEIR HISTORY, the Northside settlers banded together to win improvements for their community. They battled for paved streets and for a high school of their own . . . and were successful. Garfield was completed in 1912. Milt Denny was in the first graduating class, and Jim Conover, Hank West and "Gabe" Hicklin were members of the first class to go all four years. In 1927 the Twelve Points Business Men's Club was formed and they continued the fight for more and better things for Twelve Points. Joe Edgerton was the first president of the group which in those days met in the basement of the bank and among the other early leaders of the organization were N. G. Wal-

lace, Frank Klein, John Wycoff, Jack Hocker, Pete Kirchner and

Emmett Hughes. Largely through their efforts boulevard lights were installed, Lafayette avenue was resurfaced, parking restrictions were put in effect on busy thoroughfares as a safety measure. Today the Twelve Points Business and Professional Association, reorganized since the war, is maintaining the same vigilance and fostering the interests of the community in the same manner as the original group.

A half century of progress has brought Twelve Points to the crest of the wave . . . every building is occupied, every business is prospering, and each individual in the community is proud of its achievements. You can find nearly everything you want or need and you'll like the homey atmosphere of the stores. There's something about the place that really appeals to you . . . the friendliness of the people from Twelve Points. I found it in talking with Mrs. Phillips, and Mr. DePeugh . . . with Mrs. Bertha Phillips Lyons, Mrs. Hank West, Frank Reeder, Frank Oberbacher and with two staunch supporters of Twelve Points here at the Tribune, "Yabe" Hicklin and Joe Reed.

You'll like everything about Twelve Points. Jump in your car or catch the next Twelve Points or North Thirteenth bus and see for yourself and I'll see you up there.

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Twelve Points formed by 3 intersections

by David O. Miklik

One road travels north, bisected by one traveling west and another that leads northeast. Where these streets meet, a small but significant triangle is formed. That triangle is surrounded by the 12 corners of the intersecting streets. Those corners are the foundation of what Terre Hauteans know as Twelve Points, according to Doris Tilford of Tilford's Variety Store, a merchant of Twelve Points.

Dorothy J. Clark reported in a Sunday edition of the Terre Haute Tribune-Star that Walter Phillips is the founding father of the Twelve Points business district.

Of Phillips, Clark said, "Phillips was a dreamer, although a practical one, a promoter, a hard-headed businessman and a man of many skills."

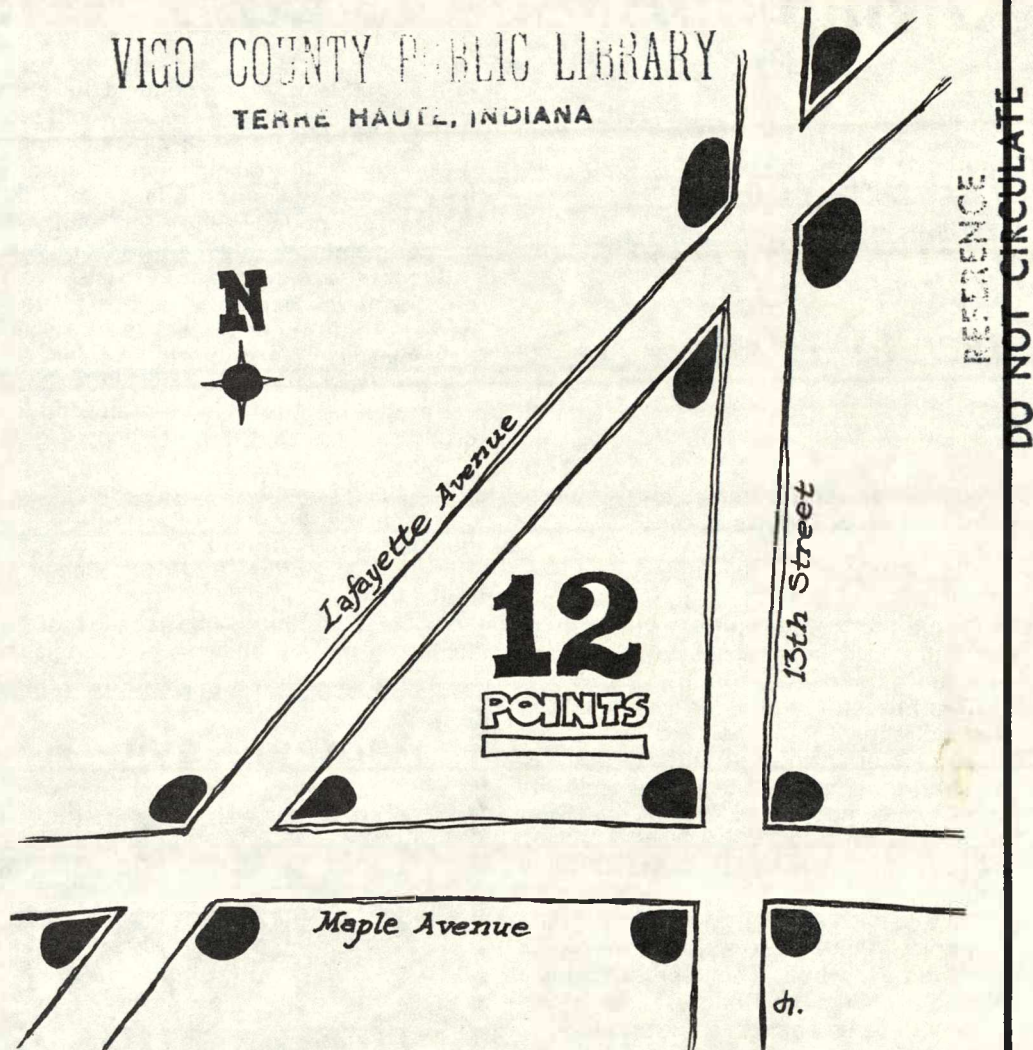
Clark credits Phillips with the Twelve Points beginning, saying, "Sixty years ago it was a struggling young community of only a handful of residents, and was for the most part all in fields and orchards."

Clark said Phillips constructed many of the buildings that stand today.

An outdoor vaudeville stage, a skating rink in the middle of a cherry orchard, and an outdoor beer-garden at the corner of Thirteenth Street and Maple Avenue were all once part of the Twelve Points business district, Clark said.

These businesses were started in the early 1900s but faded away over the years as new construction began to change the Twelve Points area, Clark continued.

Today Twelve Points, working with the buildings that were constructed in that era, is again changing.



New store fronts, a park and more parking facilities are all signs of the changing times. New businesses and new types of businesses are all signs of the changing attitudes of the merchants.

Tilford concluded, "the pendulum has swung to the shopping malls and big centers, it (the pendulum) will be swinging back to the smaller merchants again."

The twelve corners that are said to have created the name "Twelve Points" are highlighted on this map of the northside business area. Drawing by Dan Holle.

Olympic Village to be a veritable prison

Not everything is placid about Lake Placid's plan for reuse

by Scott Christianson
Pacific News Service

Lake Placid, N.Y. -- What does a town of 3,000 do with a \$22 million Olympic Village, suitable for 1,800 athletes-in-residence, once the Olympians have packed their bags and left?

This peaceful little resort community in the Adirondacks -- scheduled to host the 1980 winter games -- already has an answer, though it has been lost amid the pre-Olympic hoopla. As soon as the Olympic torch comes down, the Olympic Village will be quickly converted into a new federal prison.

"We've been seeking an after-use for the Olympic Village," says Rep. Robert C. McEwen (R., N.Y.), who represents Lake Placid's district in Congress, "and this seems to be an answer to our prayers."

Plans for the new prison, intended as a minimum security facility for mostly first-time narcotics offenders 18-25 years old, have already been funded by Congress and signed into law by President Carter.

The idea for a prison apparently grew out of the Olympic Organizing Committee's desire to attract federal funding for a housing complex that otherwise would have a life expectancy of less than two months. According to federal officials, the prison

Bureau of Prisons -- also contend that such a facility, designed as a prison, would provide strong security for Olympic athletes.

During the 1972 Munich summer games, they point out, Arab terrorists raided the athletes' compound to seize and eventually murder members of the Israeli team.

Supporters of the prison plan also claim the prison will help provide jobs for residents of the Lake Placid area, where unemployment is running 18.4 percent.

Thus far there has been little press coverage on the prison plan and no organized protest from townspeople or athletes.

But the project does have its critics.

It "clearly violates the spirit of the games," says Andy Hall, coordinator of the National Moratorium on Prison Construction.

Critics also charge the location of the facility in the Adirondacks is inconsistent

with the Federal Bureau of Prisons' stated policy of trying to locate new prisons "as close as we can humanly get to where the offenders are from."

The new prison will be located in nearby Ray Brook, about three miles from Lake Placid and hundreds of miles from the closest urban center. The 150-acre site was donated by the state, as a goodwill gesture to federal authorities.

Since the facility will house mostly first-time narcotics offenders, many inmates will almost certainly come from distant city slums.

"We have no idea what educational, vocational and community services or resources exist in the Lake Placid area that might be available to the institution," says Rep. Robert F. Drinan (D., Mass.), a critic of the project who says it was conceived and approved "without benefit of public discussion."

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Local residents don't want to lose once-striving area

By Helen June Gorrell
Special to The Tribune-Star

Twelve Points Village, so named because of the twelve points of land formed by the intersections of Lafayette Avenue, Maple Avenue and North 13th Street, was begun in 1889 through the effort of Walter Phillips, a surveyor's assistant hired by a Mr. Smith, Waterloo, N.Y., to survey and lay out in lots all of his land, according to records on file at the Vigo County Public Library.

Smith's land was dowled by U.S. 41 (now Lafayette Avenue, Business Route 41), the E&E Railroad, Maple Avenue and Lost Creek.

When Phillips began his work, most of the area was open space with a few trees and buildings, the oldest being a frame building that housed a grocery store and saloon run by a German family by the name of Petri. The building was sold after the head of the Petri family was slain during an armed robbery of the store.

The building was eventually replaced with the Twelve Points Hotel, which now stands empty and owned by Larry Helman Realtors.

Corey Barbour Shop was located where the Maple Avenue United Methodist Church now stands. A family named Baldrige lived in the triangle of land bounded by Lafayette Avenue, Barbour Avenue and North 13th Street. In 1950 the old Baldrige home housed the priests of Sacred Heart Church.

The original community bought its supplies at the general store ran by Walter Phillips' father and later his brother, Branch. The store was situated where the Merchant's National Bank is today. Directly behind the general store was Lou Ketchum's Cherry Orchard and Skating Rink.

After finishing the survey job, Smith offered Phillips his choice of lots. Phillips chose the corner lot where Kenos Karry Out Korner now stands. He also bought the lot next to it to build his home.

Phillips sold lots for Smith for a while and served as recorder and deputy recorder for the Levi Hughes Corp., but soon realized his true interest was in development of the neighborhood. He began his successful real estate business in 1897 and soon began helping others start their own businesses.

Before moving to New York, the Smith family had lived on the Southwest corner of Lafayette and Maple Avenues.

In 1900 Phillips moved the Smith house across the alley and built his first building. The first occupant was Nate Wallace's grocery store. After completing the adjoining building, Phillips moved the grocery store next door and Charles West opened West Drug Store in the first building.

Phillips bought up all the land South of the West Drug Store to the second alley, and erected buildings on each lot. Many businesses flourished here through the years, including Twelve Point's first post office, Varda Electric, Lanzzone Electric, a laundromat, Butts Barbour Shop, Sheet Metal Shop, a snack shop and Sam's Popcorn Stand. Today all that is left is the alley is an empty parking lot with a small rest area on the point.

According to the residents and business people living or working in the Village area, West's Drug Store and Sam's place are the most remembered. West is remembered by the Garfield alumni as a good place to go to for lunch and during half-time of the home basketball games.

One alumnus interviewed said, "West's was always doing things to show its support for Garfield. They had lunch specials with different type sandwiches named for different aspects of Garfield life. During the 1963 IHSA basketball tourney, they even provided free sundaes for the basketball team and cheerleaders for each game won."

Sam the popcorn Man was also well known, not only by the students but also by the adults. One resident of the village also said, "He was friendly, business-like, interested in the people, and sold good sandwiches and very good popcorn and carmel crisps. He was well liked and had a great sense of humor."

Across the street, between the hotel and Phillips Avenue, George Stump operated a grist mill.

One of the oldest buildings along this area is the Village Cinema, once a Livery Stable, Thomas Funeral Home and Garfield Theater. Linda Munn, manager of the Village Cinema for 16 years, said when she took the job of manager in 1968 the theater showed primarily x-rated movies. After 10 years she and the owner changed it back to a family theater; the first movie shown after the change was "Star Wars."

Other changes that have taken place along the main block of the village on Lafayette includes Stephen's Shoes, once the Swan Theater; the Red Onion, once a bar and grill; Tillford's Variety, previously Branam's and, after that, Williams.

In the early 1900s a beer garden was owned and operated by Kid Kiser. Where the Bowling and Engraving Center is today, Kiser Kiser's garden had picnic tables situated under trees where his beer was served, and the entire area was surrounded by a large wooden fence.

Other changes along the east side of 13th Street include, the Graffique Shop, where Smith Alsop Paint Shop used to be; Brown's Carpet Shop, where a second village post office used to be; J&K Beverage, where the Nehi Bottling Co. used to be; and Sack-N-Save grocery store, where Kroger's used to be.

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More recent changes in the village area include the closing of McLean Jr. High School and placing the administrative offices for the Vigo County School Corp. in the old building. The closing of Beatty's Market at 14½ Street, now part of Hoosier Traders; Smooty's Grocery, now Kitchen Cabinets; Mrs. Gotts Grocery, now R&R Toys; Meissel's Grocery, now Rowe's fine meats; and Sipes Drugs Store, now Sipes Electric Co.

One change in the Twelve Points area that affected the neighborhood most was the closing and demolishing of Garfield High School when the building was only 59 years old. Due to the efforts of the first settlers of Twelve Points, Garfield was opened in 1912 for about 400 students. The Spirit of 7-6 began when Garfield won its first football game against southside rival Wiley in 1915 by the score of 7-6. That same spirit prevailed until the school closed its doors in 1971. The Garfield gymnasium still stands on the corner of Garfield and Maple avenues. But Garfield Gardens, a senior citizen housing project, is where the main part of the school was, and Garfield Towers is where the annex and practice field were.

The alumni of Garfield have erected a memorial on the northwest corner of 12th and Maple.

The oldest business in the Twelve Points area today is Thomas Funeral Home. Michael Butts, treasurer of the firm, said his grandparents started the business where the Village Cinema is today in 1898, and moved to its present location in 1922. Butts is third generation to work in the firm.

Vrabics and Sons Texaco, on the point across the street from Thomas', was began by Johnny and Donnie Vrabic in 1953. Johnny is now retired, and the station is run by Donnie and his sons.

Emmet Sipes of Sipes Drug store said he opened the drug store in 1940 on the corner of Lafayette and Woodley avenues and closed the drug store exactly 37 years later Sept. 11, 1977. His son, Thomas now operates Sipes Electric Co. in the same building.

Other businesses now in operation in the village include Poff Sporting Goods, Utterback's Sheetmetal and Pro Hardware, Homer's Pizza, Keno's Karry Out Korner, Ace Sports Distributing Co., H&R Block Income tax service; Complete Family Book Store; Treasury Bible Book Store; 12 Points Washer and Dryer sales; Village Hardware; Vigo Bonding Agency; Annie's Country and Caboodle; and Midwest Radio and TV.

Also, Scotty's Water Bed; Twelve Points Doughnut Shop; Hooks Drug Store; Art Compton Cleaners; Warehouse Furniture; Dictaphone telephone and answering service; Casual Shop; R&A Sales Fire and

Safety Equipment; Dodson's Tiny Tots; Coiffure Beauty Salon and Barbour Shop; and the Village Depot and Hobby Shop.

What the future of Twelve Points holds for the people who live and work there no one knows for sure. But most of the merchants agree a few things are needed: more adequate parking; an uplift of existing businesses; new businesses; and something done with the main point.

Milton Smith, owner of ARing Brings Pizza, said, "I have lived in the Twelve Points area for 36 years, and in that length of time there has been no new construction; the buildings have either been torn down or remodeled. I would like to see some new construction

and more activities in the area."

Munn said she would like to see more activities in the village such as farmers markets, flea markets and cheaper rates for space in the street fair. She would also like to see some more public phone booths installed in the area.

Stephen Owens, of Stephens Shoes, said the village draws business from the entire area and the village can't go anywhere but up. Most of the businesses are privately owned and all the merchants are interested in giving personal service. "It's a tremendous area with friendly merchants," he said.

An exterminator at Pioneer Pest Control said he would like to see all the store fronts filled and something done with the main point and the Twelve Points hotel building.

Callie Kuykendall, owner of Red Onion Restaurant, said she would like to see business "perk up. I hate to see Terre Haute go down hill." Kuykendall said the village would be an ideal business section for the city. "Twelve Points needs more traffic in the area, more interest from the city fathers and more attention from other areas of Terre Haute to help it grow," she said. Kuykendall added that one or two weekly shopping nights, better lighting in the streets and better displays in the store windows would also help.

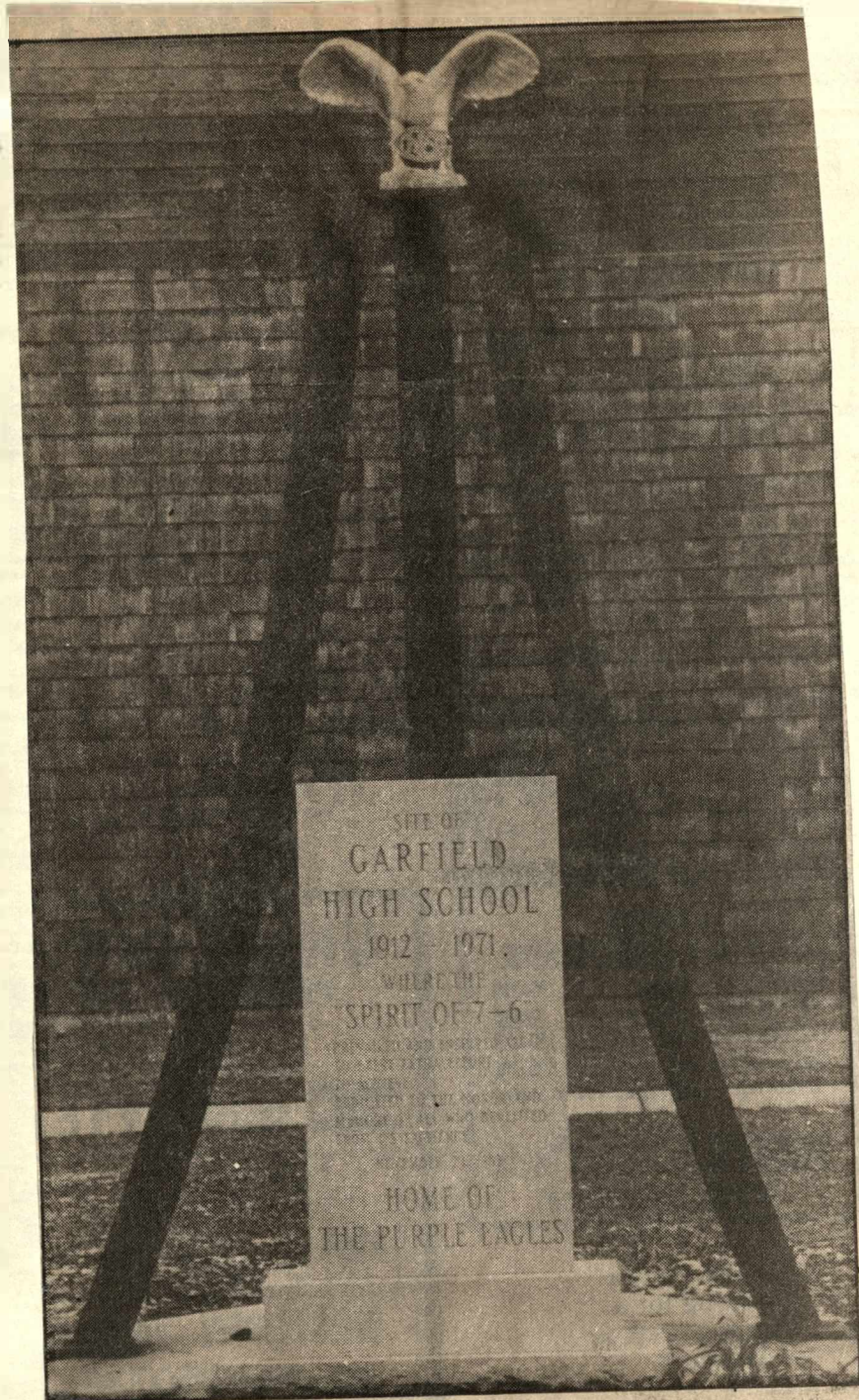
One resident of the area said the village is a good place to shop for

groceries and a nice place for a night on the town. "There are three restaurants to choose from and a family theater with a variety of movies providing excellent entertainment," he said.

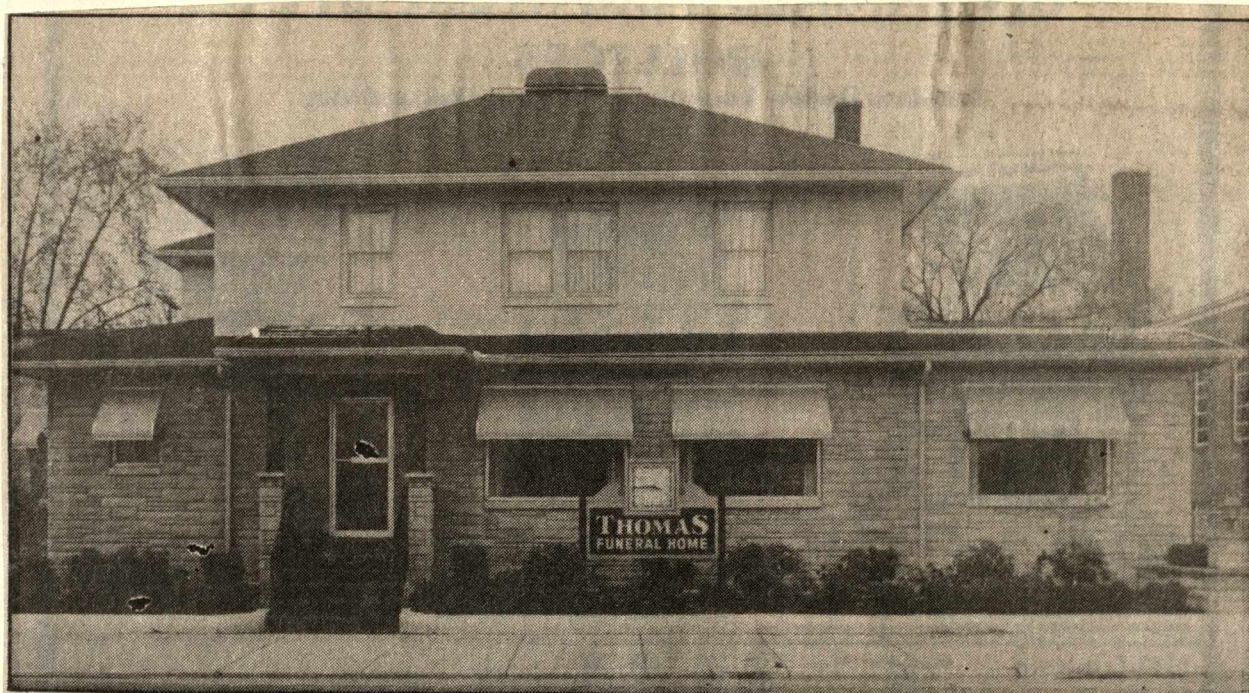
Like the rest of the city, the Twelve Point Village will just have to wait to see what the future brings. But nobody living in the neighborhood wants to lose Twelve Points as a shopping district and have it end up with nothing but scattered stores, parking lots and empty buildings.



Namesake: Twelve Points was formed at intersection of Lafayette Avenue, Maple Avenue and N. 13th Street



Memories: Purple Eagles recalled with monument



Oldest business: Thomas Funeral Home has moved since its early start

People's State Bank - Twelve Points

OFFICERS ARE CHOSEN FOR NEW INSTITUTION

People's State Bank At Twelve
Points Is Organized With Cap-
ital of \$25,000.

Twelve Points

The People's State Bank, to be located at Twelve Points, is the latest addition to Terre Haute financial institutions and, according to the plans of the promoters, the organization work will be finished and the bank ready for operation by Feb. 1. The bank will be located in the building recently erected by the Twelve Points Realty company, at Thirteenth street and Maple avenue.

Articles of incorporation were filed with the secretary of state Thursday. The capital stock is \$25,000, with a paid up surplus of \$6,250. J. H. Swander, well known Twelve Points business man, will be the president, and W. P. Montgomery, vice president. The cashier has not yet been chosen.

Other stockholders in the People's State bank included Dr. J. O. Garrison, Dr. Joseph Fries, Dr. E. T. Zaring, S. Hise and Clifford R. Smith. The new bank will give Terre Haute a total of ten banking institutions, and will be the second to be located in the thriving business community of Twelve Points.

When erecting the large business block on the northwest corner of Thirteenth street and Maple avenue, the Twelve Points Realty company, in which J. H. Swander is the head, contemplated the location of a bank in the corner room within a few years and with this in mind had constructed a modern vault in the room which was expected to be occupied for the bank by the realty company.

Room Well Equipped.

Unforeseen developments occurred, however, which caused plans for a new bank to be rushed and its opening planned for the immediate future. Therefore, due to the foresight of the builders, the corner room is now adequate for a modern bank and appropriate fixtures are all that is necessary to make the transformation. Most of these have already been purchased and it is expected that everything will be in complete readiness by Feb. 1.

All of the stockholders, with the exception of W. P. Montgomery, are well known business and professional men of this city and are especially well known on the north side. Mr. Montgomery is by no means a stranger. He was formerly vice-president of the Twelve Points State bank and in this connection made scores of friends among the business men of this city.

Since that time he has confined his activities to the First National bank of Montezuma, of which he has been president for a number of years.

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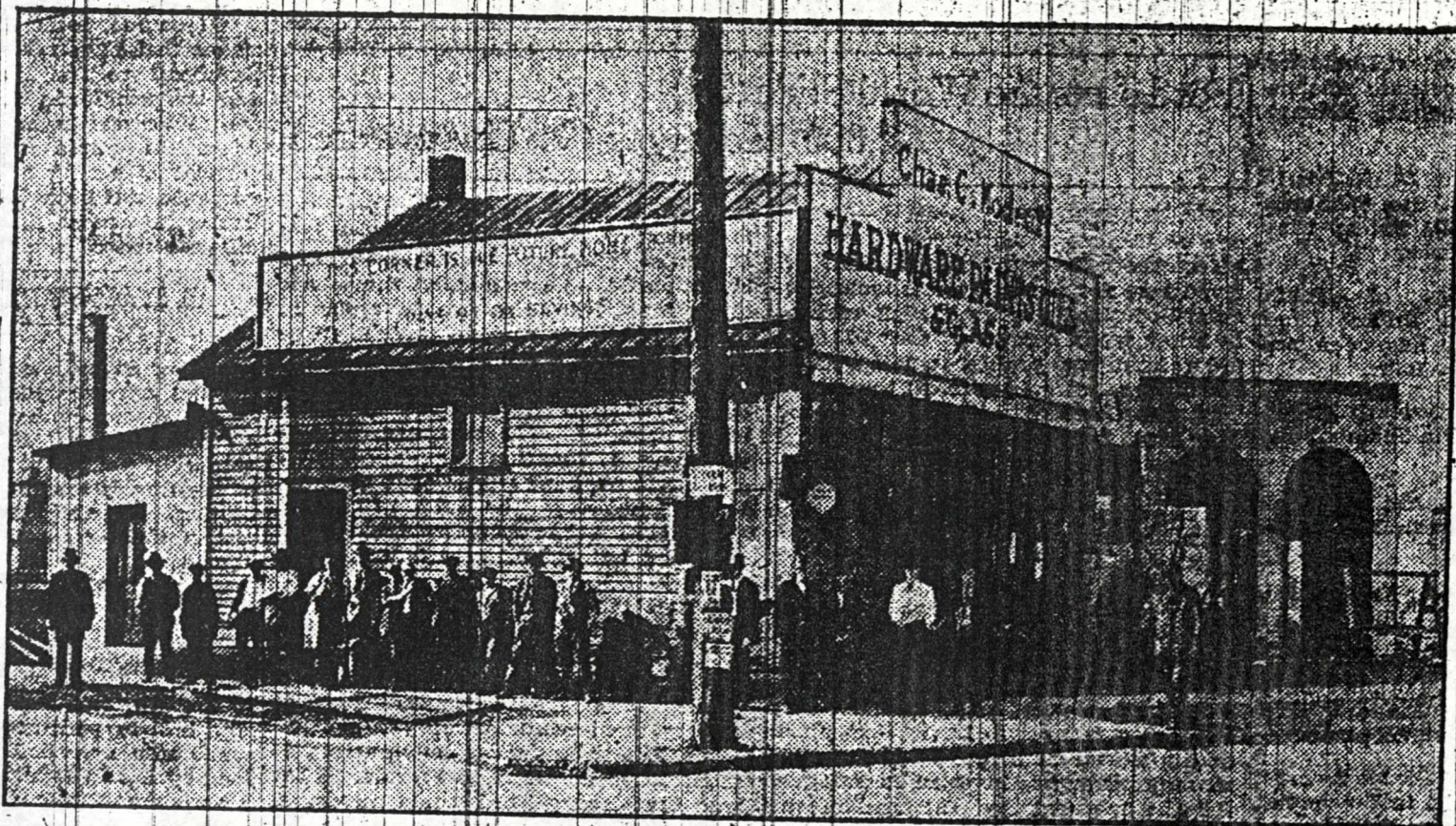
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Twelve Points Landmark To Be Dismantled



Last week saw the beginning of the dismantling of Twelve Points' oldest landmark—the one story store room

at the northwest corner of Lafayette and Maple avenues—the site of the proposed new bank for the north side. This building is said to be the oldest at

Twelve Points, having been erected in about 1880. It was Twelve Points' first business house. Mr. N. G. Wallace establishing a grocery there in 1897.

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Despite the fact that the dismantling of the corner of Lafayette and Maple avenues, the site of the Twelve Points bank, has been in the air for some time, information regarding the work of tearing down the buildings started this morning. It was seen that on the grounds, there were rumors afloat concerning the structure.

Stockholders of the State bank received a notice last week that a stockholders' meeting will be held at the bank on the 20th of April to make plans and talk over the plan for the new building. It is rumored that the meeting will start on the new building in May but the bank of no information to the meeting of the stockholders.

Mr. Joe Edgerton, proprietor of the Zwerner, proprietor of the furniture store returned Saturday, where the spring furniture market states that he had had a change of the latest styles. The prices on furniture are down any, Mr. Edgerton probably will not durder of this year.

Twelve Points mercantile store is right up with the improvements in the building. The store has a decided change. West's drug store, with new wall paper and painting by the painters.

The front of Fritz Points barber shop rec of paint Friday and t emerald green and re improvement in this es

An extra room has been added to the Kll pany, at 1228 Lafaye room, which is set of

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ay 1 to 6 has been designated as
 improvement week, by the post-
 department. During this week
 the postal employees and the gen-
 eral public will be urged to do some-
 thing to better the service.

Laura Davis, who has been in
 the city for about a year, has taken her
 position as chashier at Hollaways
 dry.

seems that hardly a week passed
 that a new business house opens
 at Twelve Points. This time it's the
 Atlantic and Pacific Tea com-
 pany that is starting at the northside
 city. This new store is to be
 located in one of the new Schultz and
 store rooms at 1236 Lafayette
 avenue, and will be ready for the open-
 ing about Saturday, April 15. A com-
 plete line of staple groceries and spe-
 cialties and teas will be sold on
 strictly cash and carry plan. This
 is one of this firm's chain of
 fifteen stores which they will
 have in this city.

three frame buildings at the
 corner of Lafayette and Maple ave-
 nue were purchased this week by Mr.
 J. Stockmaster and Mr. Richard
 J. who have had a squad of men
 at work dismantling them. The lum-
 ber from the buildings is to be sold,
 the large building, where the
 Twelve Points bank will be built,
 be moved away. It is hoped that
 the buildings will be cleared away by
 the end of this week.

POCKET WIRELESS SET.

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 N. G. Wallace's endeavors along these
 lines are, and have been for some
 twenty-four years, too prominent to
 cause any doubt in any person's mind.
 In looking over the results of Mr. Wal-
 lace's labors it might be said that he
 is about the biggest booster to be
 found at Twelve Points.

Going back to Dec. 19, 1887, we find
 that Mr. Wallace first entered busi-
 ness at Twelve Points, opening a gro-
 cery store on the northwest corner of
 Lafayette and Maple avenues, the
 present site of the proposed new
 Twelve Points State bank. After three
 years in this building, which, by the
 way, is still standing, Mr. Wallace
 moved across the street where West's
 drug store is now located. Later on,
 in 1911, Mr. Wallace moved his store
 to its present location—1278 Lafayette
 avenue.

Mr. Wallace's big step into promi-

nence came in 1908 when he was elect-
 ed on the democratic ticket for audi-
 tor of Vigo county, to which office he
 was re-elected in 1912. This was a
 singular honor to Mr. Wallace, as few
 auditors have served two terms in
 succession. After retiring from the
 auditor's office in 1916 Mr. Wallace
 took up active work in the grocery
 store, which has been developed into
 the largest at Twelve Points.

To a large degree, the credit for the
 procuring and the success of the
 Twelve Points State bank belongs to
 Mr. Wallace, who since its opening in
 January, 1919, has served as its presi-
 dent. Under Mr. Wallace's office as
 president, the north side bank has
 doubled its capital stock, and is now
 working on plans for building a new
 home—probably this year.

AN ANCIENT STORY.

The teacher was exasperated at the
 inattention of her class. The lesson
 had been on machines, and Edison's
 inventions had been mentioned.

"Now, then," asked the teacher, im-
 patiently, "from what was the first
 talking machine made?"

After a lengthy silence, a voice from
 the back exclaimed: "Please, miss, a
 rib!"

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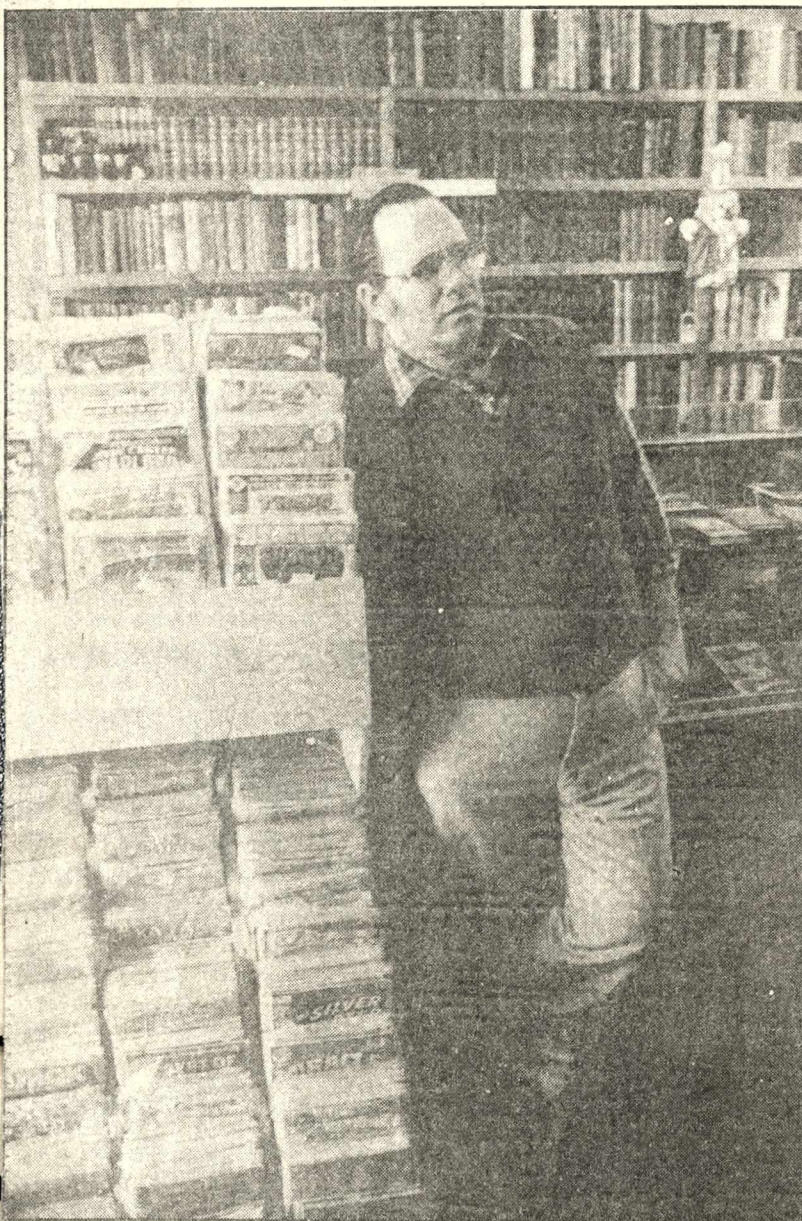
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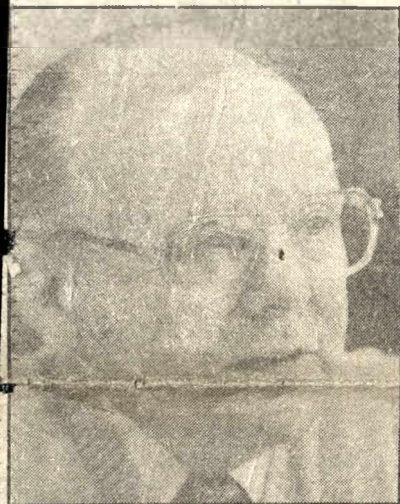
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Williams Book Place: Jerry Williams greets customers.

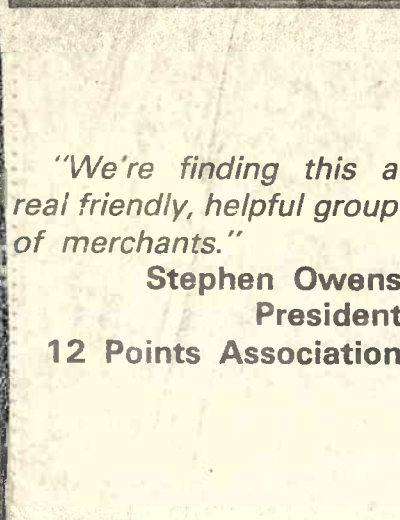


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Manager
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President
12 Points Association



Had enough faith in district to open a doughnut shop within the past year.

Ross Wright
12 Points businessman

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12 Points 'unlike downtown'

Terre Haute

Community Affairs File

By Dave Delaney
Tribune-Star Staff Reporter

While many years have passed since 12 Points village enjoyed its heyday, it remains a viable business district on Terre Haute's north side.

"We're finding this a real friendly, helpful group of merchants," said 12 Points Greater Northside Association president Stephen Owens, who opened a shoe store within the past year. "You hear a lot of good talk around here ... unlike downtown."

Owens said there are currently around 50 businesses associated with the northside alliance of businessmen.

According to records at Vigo County Historical Museum, 12 Points was recognized in 1917 and consisted in great part of fields and orchards. Primary land owner of the area was Walter Phillips.

The district got its name because of the triangular intersections of Lafayette and Maple Avenues, Lafayette and 13th Street and Maple and 13th Street.

"What 12 Points needs most of all is a fast-food restaurant like a McDonald's or Wendy's," said Jerry Williams, who with his wife, Lucille, runs Williams Book Palace which sells used books of all sorts.

"We sell to mostly middle-income and working-class people," explained Williams. He said he tries to have books for every need — with one exception. "We refuse to sell smut."

The Palace has an estimated 8,000 comic books on hand, the most expensive a 1940s issue of the first Tarzan comic book. It can be purchased for \$160.

Guy B. Newman has been manager of Merchants National Bank branch in 12 Points nearly 20 years. He said it's been a Merchants Bank since July, 1923.

"Twelve Points has deteriorated to what you see today," said the banker of the business district which once claimed four drug stores, two theaters, a hotel, half a

dozen saloons, a couple bakeries and several barber shops, recollected Newman. "Business here really started to slide in the late 1950s and early 1960s."

Newman said in the last decade or so businesses that have burned out are never rebuilt. "They just take the insurance money and run," he said. "However, I've got to say even though there are empty lots here you don't see many empty stores."

Today, 12 Points seems to have merchants to satisfy the shoppers of a small city. There is a theater, two funeral homes, a postal service branch, several restaurants, a supermarket and several taverns among the 50 firms doing business there.

"Twelve Points was actually the first shopping center in Terre Haute," continued Newman. "From the 1920s on it was the only place to do general shopping other than downtown."

He added: "It wouldn't be far off to say 12 Points does about \$5-6 million worth of business a year."

Newman gave some of the leading businesses as Sack and Save, Don Vrabec Texaco, Hook's Drug Store, Poff Sporting Goods, Midwest Radio & TV and Midwest Supply and Electronics.

"Parking has always been a tremendous problem at 12 Points," said Newman. "People used to be willing to park a block or two away and walk ... not anymore."

The banker said 12 Point merchants once considered bulldozing some of the aging buildings and going through the Small Business Administration for a loan to build at least a partial new business district. That never panned out.

"The interest on the loan would have been prohibitive," he explained.

While 12 Points probably attracts most of its customers from immediate neighborhoods, there are a number of firms doing much of their business throughout the Wabash Valley.

One of a number in that category is Lough Bros. Roofing and Siding. "We do business

within 50 miles of Terre Haute," said sales representative Jack Osborne of the business now run by Phil Lough, son of one of the founders.

There are a number of churches in the 12 Points neighborhood including Maplewood Christian, Sacred Heart, Maple Avenue Methodist, Barber Avenue United Brethren and Church of God in Christ.

Emmett Sipes ran Sipes Pharmacy here from 1940 to 1977, when he retired. "Twelve Points is not like it used to be, but it's still alive," said Sipes. "I still think it's very good ... there are a lot of people there yet."

Garfield Towers has been in the neighborhood since 1974 and provides 152 housing units for the elderly. There are several dentists and doctors in the area. Old-timers will remember Sam the popcorn man who dispensed hot-buttered popcorn long before Orville Redenbacher began marketing his gourmet specialty.

Some businesses have been active in 12 Points for many decades. However during typical recent years there have been other businesses that have come and gone.

During the past year, Judy Purdy opened The Book Nook — now the third book store in 12 Points. Purdy trades for paperbacks and rent out hardbacks. Ross Wright had enough faith in this business district to open 12 Points Donut Shop within the last year.

Strange Furniture sold merchandise on Lafayette Avenue for generations. It recently shut down, but rumor has it another business will step in and set up shop in that building. Tatem Insurance and a video game hall are two other businesses that have moved out of the neighborhood within the last year.

John Kartsimaridis operates a 24-hour restaurant here called Gyros. "We have customers throughout the night," he said.

Shopping malls in Terre Haute have dealt many a 12 Points businessman a serious blow. Few look for the northside district to ever return to the glory years of the past.

Predicts banker Newman: "There'll always be something here."



Walking down Lafayette: Stores await visitors.



Jack Fagg at work: Bob Edwards gets haircut in Garfield Barber Shop. Vigo County Public Library
Tribune-Star/Jim Avelis

Advice

Harassed at work? Put it in writing

DEAR ABBY: This is for the young single woman who was harassed by a married man at work. He left flowers on her desk, wrote her mushy notes and kept trying to talk her into dating him after she refused repeatedly.

I recently read an article on sexual harassment at the office. It suggested that the person being harassed write the harasser a letter (keeping a copy), describing the incidents and indicating her refusal to go along with such behavior. It would read something like this:

"Dear (): On Jan. 14, 1984, at 2 p.m. you called me into your office and pulled me onto your lap. When I tried to stand up, you said that you liked me there and didn't want me to go. The following week, on Jan. 20, you sent me a dozen roses and asked me to go to dinner with you. When I saw you at work the next day and refused the dinner date, you reminded me that my yearly review was coming up in March. On Feb. 12, you ... (the victim would continue to list dates, incidents and her responses).

Dear Abby



Abby's address:
P.O. Box 38923,
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By Abigail Van Buren
Universal Press Syndicate

"I am NOT interested in your attentions, and consider them inappropriate for persons working in the same office. I want all such attentions to stop immediately. If they do not, I will have to take more serious action. Sincerely, ()."

The article reported that this approach had worked well for numerous harassed employees, but even if the employee has to go to a supervisor or union representative, the documentation would help her case. Sign me ... NO LONGER HARASSED IN ILLINOIS

DEAR ABBY: Your recent answer to "History Buff" was way off the mark as far as the origin of the expression "His name is mud."

According to Tom Burnam's book, "More Misinformation," the fact is that the expression "His name is mud" dates back to the 1820s and derives from an even older meaning of "mud," according to Eric Partridge -- a dull fellow or a fool. Partridge cites an 1823 quotation: "And his name is mud!"

Since Lincoln was shot in 1865, the expression obviously predates Dr. Samuel Mudd, the physician who treated John Wilkes Booth, who broke his leg while trying to escape after shooting Abraham Lincoln.

I hope you see fit to make a correction in your column. — ANOTHER HISTORY BUFF

DEAR BUFF: I had better "see fit," or my name will be mud.

DEAR ABBY: I was recently a bridesmaid at the wedding of a close friend. Instead of buying ready-made bridesmaids' dresses, she insisted they be custom-made.

On the morning of the wedding,

the bridesmaids' dresses weren't finished because the seamstress got the flu, so the bride rushed around and found another seamstress who basted the dresses so they would be at least wearable. Needless to say, my dress didn't fit, and I had to walk down the aisle pinned, basted and looking awful!

I had paid \$110 in advance for the dress. After the wedding, \$50 of my \$110 was returned to me because of what happened.

When the bride came back from her honeymoon she called to say I owed her \$10 for the seamstress who threw my dress together! Abby, it was the bride's idea to have the dresses custom-made in the first place, so I think she should pay for a second seamstress.

For \$110 I could have bought a ready-made dress that fit. I think my friend had a lot of nerve, don't you? What should I do? — DISGUSTED

DEAR DISGUSTED: Give her the \$10. Your friend had a lot of nerve, but she also had a lot of pressure on her wedding day.

Hints needed for accident-free hearth

DEAR HELOISE:

I have a hint for people with small children who have a raised hearth in front of the fireplace.

After our 2-year-old little girl fell and slashed her head, we knew something had to be done to prevent her from having future accidents.

I finally thought padding would be best so I bought quilted material the length of the hearth plus a little more, and made a padded covering for the hearth. It's been great.

This can only be used when the fireplace is not in use. Do you or your readers have any solutions for the wintertime when the fireplace is being used? — Reader

Wow! I can just imagine a child could really get a nasty injury from a fall on the bricks. Your idea is very good for times the fireplace isn't being used. The only suggestion I could offer for when you do have a fire, is to try to block the hearth off from the child.

Maybe some of our readers have a solution and will share it with us? — Heloise

Hints from Heloise



Write to Heloise:
P.O. Box 32000,
San Antonio,
Texas, 78216

By Ponce Cruse Evans
King Features Syndicate

IRONING CORD

Dear Heloise: When ironing and the cord keeps getting in your way, stick a large safety pin into the ironing board. Run the cord through the opening of the pin and close it. The cord will not get in your way. — Alma Light

PLASTIC LID

Dear Heloise: I reuse the plastic containers that non-dairy topping and margarine come in, to store leftovers in the fridge or freezer.

My problem was that sometimes it was difficult to find the right size lid for the various bowls. I solved this by using fingernail polish to paint matching numbers on both the lid and the bowl. All lids and bowls of the same size have the same number on them so they are interchangeable.

I used the lower numbers for the smallest bowls and the larger numbers for the larger ones. — Marilyn Davis

RECIPE FLIPSTER

Dear Heloise: I use a photo flipster (rotating wheel) for my favorite recipes. Each compartment handles more than one recipe and the plastic covering is a real saver also.

I can look at my recipes as I turn the wheel and the plastic covers keep them clean. — A. Wolfe

FEATHER DUSTERS

Dear Heloise: I find that when using a feather duster, it spreads out and is too large for some of the spaces I want to get at.

By placing a rubber band around

the feathers I can adjust the spread of the feathers and get into the small cracks and crevices that would have otherwise been impossible to reach. — Janet R. Achor

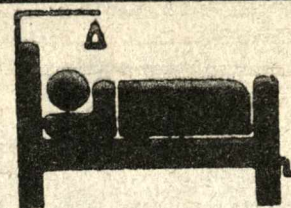
This really works great on blinds and those lattice closet doors that seem to collect so much dust. — Heloise

LAST LITTLE BIT

Dear Heloise: When I can't squeeze another smidgen out of a tube of hand cream, I cut off the flat end of the tube and find lots more cream hiding away.

When you have used all of these hidden fingerfuls of cream, cut off more of the tube, still working your way to the cap end of the tube. Repeat this procedure until the tube is really empty. You will find cream enough for several days in a seemingly empty tube. — Darlene Craig

These smidgens do add up — BUT, please be careful not to cut or scratch your fingers on the cut edge. — Heloise

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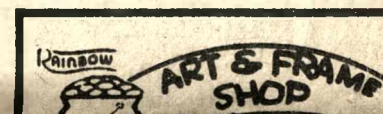
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experience with cousin

Dear Ann Landers: I have read your column for many years in the *Virginian Pilot-Ledger Star*, but until now I never was moved to write.

The letter that turned me on was from the woman who insisted that the 12-year-old boy who watched the naked tots playing in the yard was too young to have "impure thoughts." Your answer was right on, as usual, but I'd like to add something from my own experience to back you up.

In the '60s, when I was entering my teens, I had a cousin who at the age of 11 was about six inches taller than I and weighed at least 150 pounds. That kid used to chase me around whenever we were alone upstairs. He tried his darnedest to attack me. On a few occasions he caught me and threw me down on the bed, but I managed to get away.

Never was there a question in my mind regarding his intentions, nor did I doubt his ability to carry them out. My only regret is that I didn't kick him in the you-know-what and put an end to the harassment.

You are perfectly right about some 11-year-old boys. Not only can they be ready, willing and able but extremely aggressive. — Memories In Virginia

Dear V: I appreciate the testimony. Too bad you didn't give your cousin that well-deserved kick. It may have discouraged him from chasing others.

Dear Ann Landers: Thank you for advising me to consult another doctor. You saved my life.

Two days after I wrote to you I was arrested for drunk driving. The police mistook my diabetic condition for intoxication. I was telling the truth when I said I averaged from 600 to 700 calories a day. I went without food until I felt an insulin reaction come on. Only then would I eat. (Both foolish and dangerous!) That time I waited too long.

When I told my physician about

Ann Landers



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60611

By Ann Landers
News America Publishing Inc.

being arrested, he screamed, "It serves you right. You probably ate like a pig. Now will you stop stuffing yourself?" I decided I had had enough of that turkey.

The new doctor said my last doctor didn't know much about diabetes. The medication I had been taking produced a weight gain and was not safe for diabetics.

I am now on a balanced diet and feel better than I have in years. You really turned my life around. Thanks a million, Ann. — A New Me (Morristown, N.J.)

Dear New: Your letter makes up for all the cracks about my outdated hairdo, Midwestern nasal twang and old-fashioned opposition to high-school sex. Thanks for writing.

Dear Ann Landers: Since the surgeon general's report on smoking and health in 1964, we are told by the American Lung Association that 33 million Americans have stopped smoking. Please tell me why the U.S. government still subsidizes the tobacco growers? This year it will spend \$15 million of taxpayers' money. — A Dummy In Ohio

Dear Ohio: Politics, my friend. Those North Carolina legislators have clout.

And now I will receive a ton of mail from North Carolinians asking why I am trying to put thousands of people out of work. I will tell them they can keep those folks busy growing something else.

Garanimals logo.

Loose layering reflects the flashdance influence. Ellen Gang side ties a loose sweat shirt top over shorts for Knitwaves. Tulip Tops does a dropover top with overcast edges, shoulder cutouts and sleeve ties to go with a flippy preteen skirt. Health-Tex squares a gray mesh tank top over a yellow poly/cotton sheeting shirt and matching skirt.

Prints run the gamut from abstract to paint splashes in the punk mode and the colors stand out in neon brights of purple and orange. Other prints look like Japanese calligraphy in black on white in Best of Friends's duo of Oriental pants and wide top. Shelli Segel uses tiger print for the T-shirt under her pre-washed taupe sheeting overalls.

Children sport pop themes

By Florence De Santis

NEW YORK (NEA) — Fashion influences ranging from flashdance to Olympics themes are pouring in on children's sportswear this spring. The bounce of rock and the loose Japanese influence show in big shirts and wide pants. Textures mix. Sheeting T-shirts are topped with mesh tanks, and prints go bold.

Most children's collections feature both classic and trendy themes. At Garanimals flashdance is reflected in a striped turquoise mesh top with V-back crossed with white strips. Classics includes poly/cotton knit jerseys for little girls with striped sleeves and V-inset on one worn with white-banded shorts. These both are in rose red and carrying the

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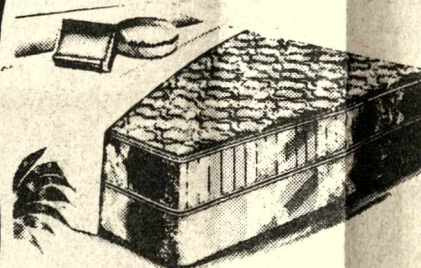
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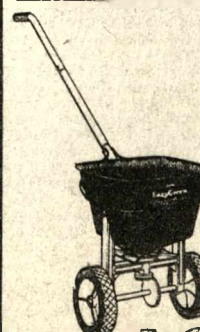
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Twelve Points boosts own image

Northside shopping area attracting new merchants and customers

by David Owen Miklik

Past weeks have been filled with news of Terre Haute's changing downtown, but downtown is not alone in the improvement derby.

Twelve Points, that little part of Terre Haute on the city's northside, has taken on a new approach to boost business in its area and to become "a neighborhood shopping center," according to David Tatem, president of the Twelve Points Greater Northside Association, Inc.

With the shopper in mind, the association sought out and is to receive new sidewalks and streetlights (like those newly installed downtown) via the Terre Haute City Council.

Already installed is a small park at the corner of Lafayette Avenue and Maple Avenue for shoppers to rest and relax while visiting Twelve Points.

But the real change lies in the old Twelve Points Hotel.

Of this cornerstone of the area, Tatem said, "In 1972 the hotel was fully rented and quite an active thing.

"But it began to lose tenants to the point that there was no one left in the hotel.

"Charles Cody purchased it in 1974 and had intended on fixing it up, store by store. He had fixed 1283 (one of the storefronts within the hotel), was working on 1281 (another storefront) and had finished an apartment upstairs when he was found beaten to death in the hotel. His sister then inherited it and it stood empty.

"The merchants had not been pulling together very well until that time."

Many of the merchants believed, Tatem continued, "If the hotel folds then the Twelve Points Shopping Center is in danger of folding."

In an effort to keep that from happening, the merchants began by leasing the storefronts in December of 1975 in order to decorate the empty building for Christmas, Tatem said.

In October of 1976, the merchants association purchased the old hotel and began remodeling and repairing the building.

Tatem said the building needed a new roof, new walls and extensive remodeling, and that the association now has about \$40,000 invested in its renovation.

But, Tatem proudly announced, "All store fronts are now rented. Seven new businesses have moved into the hotel: the Shoe Stop, H&R Block, Jerrydon Produce,



This is the old Twelve Points Hotel with its new face, situated on the corner of Maple and Lafayette Avenues. Several new shops have located in it since merchants remodeled it. Photo by Miklik.

Ralow Ceramics, Fortress Studios, the Treasury Bible Book Store, and William Teegarden, attorney.

"Plans include remodeling the upstairs into apartments, boutiques, or offices."

Tatem said, "The immediate plan is to keep all buildings occupied."

The association hasn't stopped with the hotel's renovation, however.

Working in conjunction with Duane Sorensen, director of the Center for Economic Development at Indiana State University, the association has drawn up plans to change all the storefronts to appear as stores of the 1890's to 1920's era, Tatem said.

However, he added, such renovation would depend on the independent cooperation of each businessman.

Tatem said they (the businessmen) have had somewhat of a problem with the parking situation, though there is free parking on the street and a lot available for customers to use.

The problem is that the entrance to the lot is considered by the businessmen to be an alley while the city considers it to be an easement.

What this means, Tatem said, is that the association has had difficulty getting the city to repair the entrance.

"It needs a dry well or a drainage system at the entrance to keep puddles from forming during heavy rains," Tatem said.

"But President of the City Council Jack Neaderhiser has been working on the problem.

"All we need to solve all our parking problems," Tatem concluded, "is the support of the merchants and the cooperation of the city."



Once the renovation is completed, A Call Brings Pizza at 1250 Lafayette Ave. could look like this artist's conception of a turn-of-the-century style.

DO NOT CIRCULATE

First local theater-

Trotzke building echoes of past

(Note -- John Hanners, a doctoral student at Michigan State University in East Lansing, received his master's degree at ISU in 1974. His thesis was on early entertainments in Terre Haute.)

by John Hanners

The upper story of Trotzke's Fruit Market echoes with ghostly laughter and applause, for it was here, 120 years ago, that Terre Haute had its first permanent theatre.

In November of 1857, Walker Hegeman, a 35-year-old whiskey salesman, leased the upper story of what was then Moses C. Carr's flourishing dry goods and grocery store. By the end of the month a local newspaper reported that work was progressing on the new theatre and an "accomplished" artist was busy painting scenery.

Hegeman opened his theatre on Dec. 18, 1857, with Billy Birch's Star Troupe Minstrels. But one-night stands by traveling minstrels weren't Hegeman's idea of theatre. He wanted a permanent theatre company in Terre Haute, a troupe of resident actors who could present the best entertainment possible for the citizens of the town. The first week of January, 1858, he went to Chicago to hire members for his company. He returned with 13 contracts in his pocket and re-opened Hegeman's Theatre on Jan. 12, 1858.

Hegeman's most popular performer was Harry McCarthy, a comedian from Arkansas. From 1855 through 1857 he had been a leading actor in New Orleans. His leading lady was Fanny Denham, by all accounts a young beauty who captivated the hearts of Terre-Haute audiences.

Another popular actor was Samuel Drake, grandson of Old Sam Drake, leader of the first acting troupe west of the Alleghenies and patriarch of a famous theatrical family that still exists.

For a few weeks all went well. The company presented an astonishing number of dramas. The emphasis was on comedy and farce, and the titles are evocative of an American culture long since past: "Toodles," "A Kiss in the Dark," "Black-Eyed Susan," "Bombastes Furioso," and "Who Speaks First?"

A typical evening at Hegeman's Theatre went something like this: the company would begin with a short farce. Usually ad-libbing from the audience and good-natured banter between the actors and public took place. Next, the serious play of the night was presented. A typical example was a potboiler entitled "Ingomar the Barbarian." A weak play by today's standards, it represented the best that American culture had to offer at the time. A Terre Haute critic, after seeing "Ingomar," wrote, "It was a picture of life -- such as would lead us to forget that it belongs to that little painted world, and by its perfection induce us to believe it rather a truth than a picture."

Walker Hegeman's bold enterprise soon ran into competition. Samuel Dodson, a contractor on the Wabash and Erie Canal, leased Corinthian Hall, a public meeting place at Main (now Wabash) and Third. Dodson hired himself a company and opened a season of ambitious plays with the greatest blockbuster in American theatre history -- "Uncle Tom's Cabin." All through January and February of 1858, Hegeman and Dodson waged theatrical war.

One of Dodson's actors, T. P. Varney, was publicly accused of deliberately missing a performance to appear at a benefit at Hegeman's theatre. Varney patiently explained that an "illness" had prevented him from being present at either of the theatres on the night in question.

Bella Adams, Dodson's most popular star, defected to Walker Hegeman. Her benefit shows for the Terre Haute firemen

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12 Points businesses suffer construction

By Kathy Gurchiek
Tribune-Star Staff Reporter

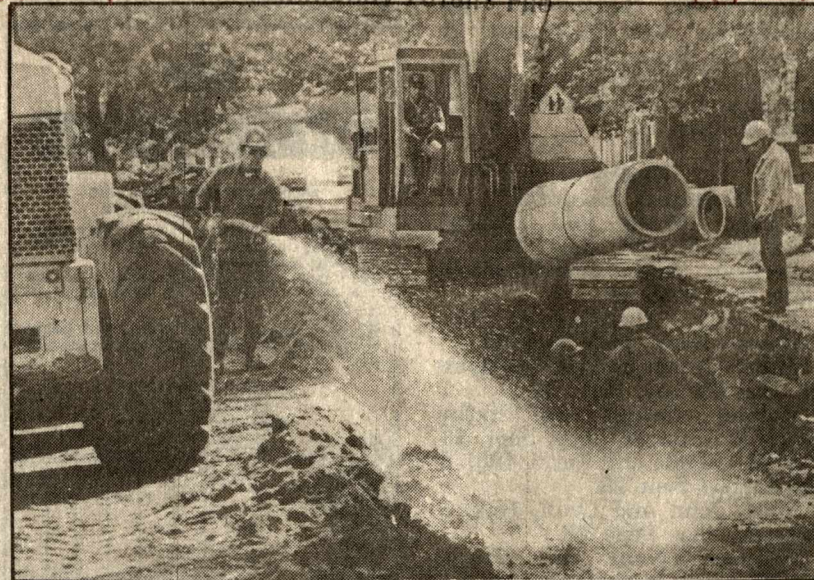
Residents and businesses along 13th Street in Twelve Points can expect to remain inconvenienced until late November, according to a consultant for the Terre Haute Sanitary District.

The Sanitary District project is the result of a storm sewer which partially collapsed two years ago. Roads are closed from Ash Street to Maple Avenue on 13th Street.

"It's a two-edged sword," said Ron Gemlich of Hurst-Rosche Engineers of Indiana Inc., 1243 Lafayette Ave. "They are not about to get to all the businesses with the ease that they would like," Gemlich said of Twelve Points shoppers.

The choice is to replace a sewer which is partially collapsed or wait until the storm sewer completely collapses. The latter would inconvenience persons even longer, said Mayor P. Pete Chalos. There is no easy way to replace a sewer, and residents have said they do not want traffic along their streets, Chalos said.

The new sewer line along 13th



Tribune-Star/Bonnie Jeffery

Obstruction: Workers place sewer tile near 13th and Maple

Street is finished, with houses on the east side of the street tapped onto the system, Gemlich said. Houses along the west side are to be tapped onto the system in the

next three to four weeks. Paving of 13th Street is expected by Nov. 15, Gemlich estimated.

Businesses on 13th Street from Phillips to Maple avenues have

suffered a 50 percent to 75 percent loss since work began in their area four weeks ago Friday, according to spokespersons.

"It just about destroyed our business. We have dropped probably 60 to 70 percent of what we normally get" in business, said Thomas Brown, who has owned and operated Carpet King Inc., 2061 N. 13th St., for 15 years.

"You can't get to us except through the alley," he said. Brown also owns Bowling & Engraving Center, 2075 N. 13th St., which is closed due to the sewer project.

Turner Graphique, 2073 N. 13th St., owned by Donald E. Turner, also is closed until the work is completed. Turner said his custom graphic art store and retail artwork outlet has lost thousands of dollars.

Carpet King's monetary loss has resulted in a skeleton crew of three people where there had been nine employees. Those six employees are contract carpet layers, so they were able to find employment, Brown said.

Barber William J. Fitzsimmons returned to independent trucking two days a week so he could pay his

bills. He has suffered a 75 percent loss in business.

Normally 20 customers frequent his business between 6 a.m. and noon. Tuesday, he had three paying customers. He is considering closing his shop permanently and going back to trucking.

"It cost me \$100 a week to open the doors here" since the storm sewer project began, he said.

"We're not anxious to shut off their business," Gemlich said. He said he would investigate the possibility of putting up detour signs which would reroute traffic along or near the business area which has been adversely affected.

Drivers approaching 13th Street and Maple Avenue from the east must loop around blockaded 14th Street. Work there extends from 13th Street to 16th Street along Maple Avenue, Gemlich said.

He said workers will be pushing the limit to get work along Maple Avenue completed by late November.

"It's going to inconvenience people and we're sorry for the inconvenience," but the city is trying to complete the work as fast as possible, Chalos said.